



MEDIA RELEASE

State Route 225 Relinquishment Scheduled at City Council Hearing On Tuesday, May 1, 2012

SANTA BARBARA, CA – April 26, 2012

On Tuesday, May 1, 2012, at their evening meeting beginning at 6:00 P.M., the Santa Barbara City Council will receive an update on the proposed State Route 225 (SR 225) Relinquishment, and will provide direction to staff regarding relinquishment of the street from the State to the City. The public is invited to attend.

The City's Public Works Department staff, Caltrans, neighbors, business owners, and other interested parties have been working on issues to relinquish SR 225 from Caltrans to the City for several years. SR 225 consists of approximately 4.6 miles of roadway from the intersection of Castillo and Montecito Streets, west along Cliff Drive, then north along Las Positas Road to where it intersects US Highway 101.

On January 24, 2012, staff provided Council with an update on the SR 225 Relinquishment. Council directed staff to move forward with the SR 225 Relinquishment under certain conditions. Generally, the meeting included discussion regarding the apparent financial and legal concerns, including one-time and ongoing costs, and liability issues.

If you have questions, please contact John Ewasiuk, Principal Civil Engineer, at (805) 564-5375, or at JEwasiuk@SantaBarbaraCA.gov.

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